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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed September 23, 2005, please consider the following along with the Request for Continued Examination and the Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith. Also enclosed is a request for a one-month extension of time and payment of the fee therefore. Please provide any additional extensions of times that may be necessary and charge any additional fees due to Deposit Account 12-2424, but not including the payment of issue fees.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope with sufficient postage addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on January 23, 2006.

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